

## **Lake County Backyard Chicken Recent Adopted Regulations**

### **10.01.06 Backyard Chickens.**

General Requirements. Chickens, other than roosters, shall be allowed for personal use as an accessory use within the Estate Residential (R-2), Medium Residential (R-3), Medium Suburban Residential (R-4), Urban Residential (R-6), Mixed Residential (R-7), and Mixed Home Residential (RM) Districts.

A. Any person keeping, harboring, raising or maintaining chickens as an accessory to an occupied dwelling unit shall be subject to the following restrictions:

1. No more than five (5) chickens may be kept;
2. Slaughtering of chickens is prohibited;
3. Chickens must be secured within the chicken coop or fenced enclosure at all times;
4. All feed and other items associated with the keeping of chickens that are likely to attract or to become infested with rodents or other pests shall be kept in a rodent and pest-proof container;
5. No manure shall be allowed to accumulate on the floor of the coop or ground. A fly-tight bin for storage of manure shall be utilized; the size shall be sufficient to contain all accumulations of manure. The fly-tight bin shall be kept at least twenty (20) feet away from all property; and
6. Composting of chicken manure shall be allowed in an enclosed bin. The composting bin shall be kept at least twenty (20) feet away from all property lines.

B. Chicken coop or fenced enclosure used to house chickens. Any chicken coop or fenced enclosure used to house chickens shall:

1. Not be located in the front or side yards; and
2. Be set back a minimum of twenty (20) feet from all property lines.